

House Resolution No. 2813

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Martha Maxwell, an esteemed resident of High Ridge, Missouri, who is retiring as Director of the Jefferson County Library after thirteen years of exceptional service and dedication; and

Whereas, in 1990, Martha Maxwell was instrumental in starting the Jefferson County Library, a system that now has three branches in the Missouri towns of Arnold, Barnhart, and High Ridge; and

Whereas, a former employee of the library in Union and library director in Cape Girardeau, Martha Maxwell is exceedingly proud of the progress that the Jefferson County Library has made throughout her impressive tenure as Director which includes setting it up on an automated system; and

Whereas, modeled after the St. Charles city-county library, the Jefferson County Library currently has 600,000 items in circulation and sixty-eight employees; and

Whereas, Martha Maxwell takes delight in searching the Internet to find the best research sites that she and her staff post on the Jefferson County Library website for library patrons; and

Whereas, Martha Maxwell credits her success to the many long-lasting friendships she has developed not only with her employees, but with Jefferson County residents as well; and

Whereas, a co-founder of JOIN-N, Martha Maxwell looks forward to her retirement so that she may have more free time to catch up on her reading, collect political memorabilia, and continue her role as Vice President of Comtrea, the Community Forum, and the Cultural Council of Jefferson College:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Martha Maxwell for her twenty-nine years of unparalleled service as a Librarian in the Show-Me State, and in wishing her the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement she so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Martha Maxwell.

Offered by _____

Representative Mark C. Abel, Dist. No. 103

Representative Ray Adams, Dist. No. 101

Representative Belinda Harris, Dist. No. 110

Representative Rick Johnson, Dist. No. 90

Representative Ryan McKenna, Dist. No. 102

Representative Harold R. Selby, Dist. No. 105

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2813, adopted May 13, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker

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